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REF: COPENHAGEN 3189 AND 3194 NOTAL

1. DAVIGNON (FONMIN POLITICAL DIRECTOR) GAVE ME HIS APPROSAL OF THE COPENHAGEN MEETING THIS MORNING. MOST SIGNIFICANT POINT HE MADE WAS THAT THE SECRETARY'S ENERGY ACTION GROUP PROPOSAL SHOULD BE FOLLOWED UP ON SPECIFICS BY THE US THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS. THESE HE REFERRED TO VARIOUSLY AS "BILATERAL", "REGULAR", AND "TRADITIONAL". ONLY IN THIS WAY COULD POLICY BE MOVED FROM "DECLARATORY" SPEECHES INTO EXCHANGES THAT COULD LEAD TO PRACTICAL IMPLEMENTATION.
2. ACCORDING TO DAVIGNON, THE COPENHAGEN MEETING WAS NOT GEARED TO ACT UPON OR EVEN EFFECTIVELY TO DISCUSS THE SECRETARY'S ENERGY ACTION PROPOSAL. THE REFERENCE IN THE EC ENERGY COMMUNIQUE TO THE OECD AS AN APPROPRIATE STUDY FORUM WAS A GENERAL ONE REFLECTING EMPHASIS ON USING EXISTING INSTITUTIONS BUT SHOULD NOT BE INTERPRETED AS FORECLOSING NEW ARRANGEMENTS.
3. THE SUMMIT HEARD OUT THE ARAB MINISTERS (THEIR PRESENTATION WAS A "BORE") BUT MADE NO ATTEMPT TO ANSWER THEM, BEYOND INCLUSION IN THE ENERGY COMMUNIQUE OF A REFERENCE TO OPENING NEGOTIATIONS WITH OIL-PRODUCING COUNTRIES ON SUPPLIES AND DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE.
4. DAVIGNON SEEMED TO TAKE SOME SATISFACTION FROM FACT COMMUNIQUE DID NOT PROVIDE FOR REGULAR OR PERIODIC SMITTE MEETINGS AND RECOGNIZED THAT DECISIONS SHOJLD BE TAKEN BY EXISTING INSTITUTIONS OF THE COMMUNITY. STRAUZ-HUPE

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